

Amendments to the Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A film, comprising:
a first layer, comprising a first polymer, comprising a plurality of hydrogen bond donating moieties, and
a second layer, comprising a second polymer, comprising a plurality of hydrogen bond accepting moieties;
wherein the first and second polymers are each soluble in water; and the film does not contain a polymer layer comprising a plurality of permanently electrostatically charged groups when the film is stable.
2. (Original) The film of claim 1, wherein at least one of said first polymer and said second polymer comprise a plurality of charge-forming groups.
3. (Original) The film of claim 2, wherein said hydrogen bond donating moieties are selected from the group consisting of O-H, N-H, P-H and S-H.
4. (Original) The film of claim 2, wherein said hydrogen bond accepting moieties are selected from the group consisting of C=O, O-H, N-H, C-F, P=O and C N.
5. (Original) The film of claim 2, wherein said charge-forming groups are selected from the group consisting of acids and bases.
6. (Original) The film of claim 3, wherein said hydrogen bond accepting moieties are selected from the group consisting of C=O, O-H, N-H, C-F, P=O and C N.
7. (Original) The film of claim 6, wherein said charge-forming groups are selected from the group consisting of acids and bases.
8. (Original) The film of claim 7, wherein said first polymer or said second polymer comprises carboxylic acid groups.
9. (Cancelled)

10. (Original) The film of claim 1, wherein said first polymer and said second polymer are bonded together through hydrogen bonds.

11. (Currently Amended) A film, comprising:
a first layer, comprising a first polymer, and
a second layer, comprising a second polymer,
wherein the second polymer is hydrogen bonded to the first polymer;
the first and second polymers are each soluble in water; and
the film does not contain a polymer layer comprising a plurality of
permanently electrostatically charged groups when the film is stable.

12. (Original) The film of claim 11, wherein at least one of said first polymer and said second polymer comprise a plurality of charge-forming groups.

13. (Original) The film of claim 12, wherein said charge-forming groups are selected from the group consisting of acids and bases.

14. (Original) The film of claim 13, wherein said first polymer or said second polymer comprises carboxylic acid groups.

15. (Cancelled)

16. (Cancelled)

17. (Original) A surface, coated with the film of claim 1.

18. (Original) A surface, coated with the film of claim 6.

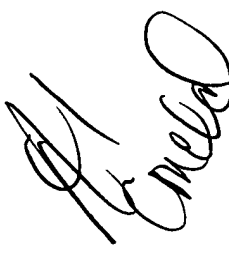
19. (Original) A surface, coated with the film of claim 8.

20. (Original) A surface, coated with the film of claim 11.

21. (Cancelled)

22. (Original) The film of claim 1, further comprising an agent.

23. (Original) The film of claim 22, wherein said agent is a bioactive agent.

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24. (Original) The film of claim 6, further comprising an agent.
25. (Original) The film of claim 24, wherein said agent is a bioactive agent.
26. (Original) The film of claim 8, further comprising an agent.
27. (Original) The film of claim 26, wherein said agent is a bioactive agent.
28. (Original) The film of claim 11, further comprising an agent.
29. (Original) The film of claim 28, wherein said agent is a bioactive agent.
30. (Cancelled)
31. (Cancelled)

Claims 32- 51. (Withdrawn)
